The Union Government has also introduced the Communal Violence (Prevention, Control and Rehabilitation of Victims) Bill, 2005 in the Rajya Sabha on 5.12.2005 which is currently before the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs.

Natural calamities under the ambit of NDMA

2641. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the natural calamities which come within the ambit of the National Disaster Management Authority;

(b) whether Government have identified 7 major natural calamities which come under the ambit of the NDMA;

(c) the criteria adopted by Government to include and focus on such natural calamities;

(d) whether it is also a fact that proper scrutiny was not done to properly select and identify the kin of disaster which would be addressed by the NDMA; and

(e) the steps proposed to review such subjects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) In the Disaster Management Act, 2005, "Disaster" has been defined as "a catastrophe, mishap, calamity, grave occurrence in any area, arising from natural or manmade causes, or by accident or negligence which results in substantial loss of life or human suffering or damage to, and destruction of, property, or damage to, or degradation of, environment, and is of such a nature or magnitude as to be beyond the coping capacity of the community of the affected area."

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.